

The Hongkong Telegraph.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1891.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital.....£1,000,000
Subscribed Capital.....£500,000

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Burma.....Creditt Lyonnais.
France.....The African Banking Corporation.

THE Bank is now prepared to make advances
on goods in neutral Godowns, and on
other securities, at rates to be obtained on
application; also to receive Money on Current
Account or Fixed Deposit.
Interest: 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
" 6 " 4 " 3 " 2 " 1 " 1/2 "

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.
For Rates of Interest for other periods apply
to the Manager.
Hongkong, 20th November, 1891. [1429]

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK
CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL.....£2,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£500,000

LONDON:
Head Office.....40, Threadneedle Street.
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AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT,
Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE,
ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for
COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and
Agency Business generally, on terms to be had
on application.

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager. [10]

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

UNDER the Patronage of His Excellency
Major-General G. DIGBY-BARKER,
Administering the Government.

TO-MORROW EVENING,
the 26th November,
FARWELL ENTERTAINMENT
will be given by the Band and Lorne Athletic
Club of the Princess Louise's Army and
Sutherland Highlanders.

The following is the Band Programme:—
1 Overture....."William Tell".....Rossini.
2 Cornet Polka....."The Star of Egl.".....Farrell.
3 Glee....."Whisper".....Whitaker.
4 Air & Variations....."Mosaic".....Riviera.
5 Musical Joke....."The Jolly Musicians".....Mosaic.
6 Grand National Fantasia....."A Soldier's Life".....Kappay.

Introduction—Rumours of War—Troops Assem-
bled—The Embarkation—On Board—Dis-
embarkation—The Camp at Night—The
Enemy attempts a Surprise, but is Felled
—Fire—Advance—Charge—The Battle—
Victory.

FINALE—"See the Conquering Hero Comes."
"Rule Britannia."

Horizontal Bar,
Vaulting the Horse,
Sword Exercise,
Musical Drill (by the Boys),
and Comic Boxing Scenes
by the Lorne Athletic Club.

Tickets, 2s and 1s, to be obtained at Messrs.
KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, where a Plan of the
Seats may be seen.
Soldiers and Sailors, 2s. 6d.

To commence at 8 p.m. The Surplus, if any,
will be devoted to the Garrison Female Hospital,
and Soldiers' and Sailors' Institutions.
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1891. [1425]

Intimations.

FOR SALE.

SADDLERY & STABLE REQUISITES

SADDLES, HARNESS, RIDING WHIPS, DRIVING WHIPS.
SADDLE CLOTHS, WEIGHT CLOTHS, CLOTHING, SURCINGLES,
BRIDLES, RACING REINS, STIRRUP LEATHERS, STIRRUP WEB, GIRTHS, BITS, &c.
CURRY COMBS, NEAVE COMBS, HORSE, DANDY & SPOKE BRUSHES, BURNISHERS,
CHAMOISE LEATHERS, HARNESS OIL, HARNESS COMPOSITION, HARNESS POLISH,
SADDLE PASTE, BOOT-TOP FLUID, MELTONIAN CREAM,
RIDING and JOCKEY BOOTS, BOOT-TOPS.

NEAVE, ORANWORTH & CO.

Hongkong, 10th November, 1891.

MOUTRIE, ROBINSON & CO.

(THE PIANO, ORGAN AND MUSIC WAREHOUSE).

PIANOS, PIANOS, PIANOS.

BY ALL THE LEADING MAKERS OF THE WORLD, INCLUDING:—

NEW PIANOS, by

BROADWOOD,

COLLARD & COLLARD,

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(Transposing Pianos).

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NEW PIANOS:—

The "UNIQUE" MODEL,

The "BOUDOIR"

GRANDS:—

BROADWOOD,

COLLARD & COLLARD,

PLEYEL.

YACHT PIANOS

(Folding Key-boards).

HOPKINSON,

CHAPPEL.

2nd-HAND.

BROADWOOD (COTTAGES),

(PIANETTES),

(GRAND),

COLLARD & COLLARD (COTTAGE),

PLEYEL

STRAUSS

SCHROEDER

and several others.

PRICES RANGE FROM \$150 TO \$800.

All the above instruments can be purchased by

MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

Being by far the largest Importers of Musical Instruments in the East, MOUTRIE, ROBINSON
& Co. are enabled to offer customers every possible advantage in SELECTION and QUALITY
and at

HOME PRICES.

MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

PIANOS ON HIRE FROM \$5 PER MONTH.

Having just received (at our Hongkong and Shanghai houses) a shipment of over—
TWO TONS of Music, containing every possible style and variety, we will from this date to
the 1st December, offer a discount of 20 per cent. on all Sheet Music and Editions—PETERS,
LITOLFF, and AUGENER.

VIOLINS, BANJOS, GUITARS, MANDOLINS, ZITHERS, DULCINERS, ACCORDEONS,
CONCERTINAS, FLUTES, PICCOLOS, TAMBOURINES, STRINGS, BOWS,
BRIDGES, MUTES, PITCH-PIPES, TAIL-PIECES, PEGS—
In fact, every kind of Instrument and Fittings possible.

Call and inspect our stock or obtain our Illustrated Catalogue before buying elsewhere.

MOUTRIE, ROBINSON & Co.

UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,

HONGKONG,

(And at London, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama).

The ONLY FIRM in the Far East devoting themselves entirely to the Music Trade.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1891. [780]

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

HAVE RECEIVED A LARGE SUPPLY OF THE

SWAN FOUNTAIN PEN.

THE "Swan" is a Mable, Todd & Co. Gold Pen joined to a rubber reservoir to hold any kind
of ink, which it supplies to the writing point in a continuous flow. It will hold ink enough
for two days' constant work, or a week's ordinary writing, and can be filled with as little trouble
as to wind a watch.

With the cover over the gold nib it is carried in the pocket like a pencil, to be used anywhere.
A purchaser may try a pen a few days, and, if by chance the writing point does not suit his
hand, exchange it for another without charge.

\$4 EACH, WITH FILLER COMPLETE.

THERE ARE VARIOUS POINTS TO SELECT FROM, BROAD, MEDIUM AND FINE.
The Gold Pens in the "Swans" are Mable, Todd & Co.'s famous make. They are 14-carat
tempered gold, very handsome, and positively unaffected by any kind of ink. They are pointed
with selected polished bismuth.
They will not penetrate the paper, and writer's cramp is unknown among users of Gold Pens.
They are a perfect revelation to those who know nothing about Gold Pens.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,

QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1891. [9]

W. POWELL & CO.

ST. ANDREW'S BALL.

GLOVES, GLOVES, GLOVES.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1891. [6]

CARMICHAEL & Co., LD.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS—TOBACCO AND CIGAR IMPORTERS.
GENERAL STOREKEEPERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.

SHOOTING STOCKS FOR SPORTSMEN.

BUCKSKIN LEGGINGS.

PORPOISE HIDE BOOTS.

CANADIAN CREAMERY BUTTER and CHEESE.

CARMICHAEL & CO., LTD.

18, Praya Central, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1891. [1168]

Insurances.

THE FUNDS OF THE

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.
ARE invested entirely within the British
Dominions and are thus free from the
complications which might arise in time of war.
They now amount to Seven Millions Sterling,
and have increased 50 per cent in the last 15
years.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY

LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.
WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

No. 7, CORNER, ROYAL WALK,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1892. [1215]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,

(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000; \$813,333-33.

RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000-00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YUK MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq. MANAGER.—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES in all parts of the
world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1891. [1218]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TAI ON SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

U CHEUK TONG, have this day been
appointed GENERAL MANAGER of the
above Company.

U CHEUK TONG,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1891. [1449]

Consignees.

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "GHAEZE"

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND

STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed
that all Goods are being landed at their
risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence
and from the wharves delivery may be
obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice
to the contrary be given before NOON.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 30th inst., will be subject
to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Underwriter on or before the 30th
inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken and damaged Goods are to be
left in the Godowns where they will be
examined on the 30th inst., at 3 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1891. [1415]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"EDENDALE"

Captain Humphreys, will be despatched as
above TO-MORROW, the 28th instant, at Day-
light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1891. [1445]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG."

Captain Reach, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 29th instant,
at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1891. [1450]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND

ADELAIDE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND
Ports and taking through Cargo to NEW
ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"MENMUIR."

Captain Craig, will be despatched for the
above Ports on THURSDAY, the 3rd December,
at 4 p.m.

This well-known steamer is specially fitted for
passengers, and has large cooling Chambers,
thus ensuring a supply of Fresh Meat, Milk,
&c., etc. throughout the voyage.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1891. [1444]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, LONDON,
HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"FLINTSHIRE."

Captain Dwyer, will be despatched as above
on or about SATURDAY, the 1st December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1891. [1328]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,
via INLAND SEA.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE."

Captain Cunliffe, will be despatched as above
on or about SATURDAY, the 5th December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1891. [1442]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND

CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING."

Captain G. B. Pallett, will be despatched for the
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 8th proximo, at
Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1891. [1441]

"UNION" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK (via SUEZ CANAL).

THE Steamship

"COLLINGHAM."

Captain Watson, will be despatched as above
on or about the 10th December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1891. [1428]

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM

HONGKONG, 1891.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Embark of India.....Tuesday.....Dec. 8th.

Embark of Japan.....Tuesday.....Jan. 5th.

Embark of China.....Tuesday.....Feb. 2nd.

THE "EMPEROR OF INDIA."

5,000 tons, Captain O. B. Marshall, R.N.E.,
sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 8th Dec.,
with Her Majesty's Mails, will proceed to VAN-
COUVER, via SHANGHAI, Inland Sea,
KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

(In Mexican Dollars).

FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

TO

Prepaid return.

4 mos. 12 mos.

Vancouver, Victoria, Esqui-

maut, New Westminster,

B.C., Seattle, Tacoma, Port-

land, Wash., San Francisco,

Portland, Ore., San Francisco,

Barf Calgary, Alta.,

Winnipeg, Man.,

To Minneapolis, St. Paul,

Duluth, Minn.,

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, LIMITED, CHEMISTS, &c.

DAKIN'S EUCALYPTUS OIL.
THIS OIL is a valuable external remedy for Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sciatica, Sprains, Catarrhs, Whooping Cough, Croup, Asthma, Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Chronic Liver Complaint and all other Painful Affections where a Stimulating Application is required. It is especially IN OBSTINATE AND CHRONIC CASES OF RHEUMATISM, &c., this Oil has proved of inestimable service; the speedy relief given in many instances of long standing has established it as a special popular remedy. The glow of warmth it produces over the surface of the skin renders it a valuable agent for all ailments where an outward remedy is required. In the treatment of Rheumatism and all local affections, it is designated to rank as one of the first and most successful remedies. Its action is always prompt, always certain, and never fails in giving relief. The Directions as given should be strictly attended to.

As a Disinfectant, Deodorant and Antiseptic this Oil, being a complete sanitary agent for all purposes, needs only a trial to convince the most sceptical. The sweet and refreshing aroma (although peculiar at first to some), supplies to a sick room an exhilarating and purifying effect. Special attention should be paid to the directions.

2 oz. bottles.....50 cents.
4 oz. ".....1.00.
No. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, LONDON, HONGKONG AND AMOY.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

WE invite attention to our first supplies OF CONFECTIONERY AND CHRISTMAS GOODS

RECEIVED BY THE LAST MAIL.

JORDAN ALMONDS, NOUGAT, BUTTER SCOTCH, ASSORTED TOFFEES, DRAGEES, PRALINES, and a large selection of PURE CONFECTIONERY from the leading Manufacturers.

CADBURRY'S SPECIAL CHOCOLATE CREMES.

PINE, APRICOT, CHERRY, LIME, GUAVA, and other FRUIT JELLIES in great variety.

TOM SMITH'S CHRISTMAS CRACKERS.

COLOURED OPALS mounted in Plush, representing favourite subjects.

A large assortment of ENGLISH and JAPANESE CHRISTMAS CARDS, of handsome and artistic designs, suitable to all tastes, and at moderate prices.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841. Hongkong, 1st November, 1891.

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Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

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Willist the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the free discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests. It may be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisements are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in this paper before 10 o'clock on the day before the day of insertion. Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

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MARRIAGE.

At Shanghai on the 21st November, 1891, by N. J. Hansen, Esq., H.B.M.'s Consul-General, and afterwards at the Church of St. Joseph's Mission, SIKYU, youngest son of John A. P. Spooner, of London, to FLORENCE, eldest surviving daughter of Augustus White, of Shanghai.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1891.

LAUDATIO VIRTUTIS.

Under the above heading our evening contemporary published a few days since a translation from the Chinese paper *Tsun Wan Yai Pao*, which was doubtless intended as a special defence of that hybrid official position commonly described

as Registrar General and Protector of Chinese and of the very worthy gentleman who at present fills the dual rôle. The translation from the Chinese vernacular into English is credited to "J. Chalmers," who, we believe, is the well known local head of the London Mission Society. Without questioning the translator's knowledge of Chinese, we are bound to say that his English is susceptible of very considerable improvement, judged by the specimen now under review. However, that is by the way. This precious article would be amusing, were it not so childishly absurd and so grossly misleading. And we cannot agree with the view expressed by the *China Mail* that in any reliable way shows the esteem with which the post of Registrar General is regarded by the Chinese. It is merely the opinion of a writer on the staff of the *Tsun Wan Yai* who had only the most hazy conception of what he was writing about. It is not true that the Registrar-General's salary was raised recently to over \$6,000 per annum to "show how high a value the British Government places on this office in which lies the source of safety to the very existence of us Chinese in Hongkong," and by way of stimulus and encouragement to that officer. Nor was it in recognition of his worthy labours. The all round raising of official salaries was due to an entirely different cause, as everybody knows. Of course it must be very flattering to the present Registrar to learn from such a source that

He has thoroughly at heart the soothing and protecting of the Chinese people, over and above the efficient discharge of his official duties, giving his spare time and attention without stint to the punishment of kidnappers and the rescue of their innocent victims; until all the wicked and violent stand in awe of his authority, and all the well-doing community exalt his goodness. Hence it was that two years ago, when he left for a well-earned furlough, the merchants and people of Hongkong with one accord combined to escort him with people's umbrellas, bright mirrors, pure water, laudatory address, &c. in long procession; the intent of which was of course an expression, however inadequate, of gratitude to a beneficent Government through its worthy representative.

But it may be safely accepted as a certainty that "boah" of this sort will have very little effect in preventing the abolition of an office which is a glaring anomaly in this free British colony. The Registrar-Generalship may have served a useful end years ago, although then it was associated with abuses which gave rise to numerous scandals. But times have greatly changed, and the Chinese can now obtain redress and protection on equal terms and by the same constitutional methods as British subjects and other foreign residents. They are entitled to all that, but no more—and they don't want any more, and if the Chinese community were polled tomorrow there would be an overwhelming majority in favor of the abolition of a satrapy that cannot fail to be offensive to every educated Chinese in the city. And we think there can be little doubt that its doom is sealed, and that before many months are over it will be numbered with the things that were. The sooner the better.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

SOME industrious statisticians have figured out that there are 156,973,873 watches in use.

SENIOR RASSOU, the first Mexican Minister to Japan, is expected to arrive at Tokio about the end of the present month.

THE hearing of the *Minchinn v. Fraser-Smith* libel case has been postponed until Tuesday, the 15th December.

JUDGE—How old are you, madam? Witness—I've seen eighteen summers. Judge—And eighteen winters—thirty-six, thank you.

At a meeting of shareholders held on the 16th inst. the Pootung dock at Shanghai was sold for £100,000, less 2½ per cent. commission.

TO-MORROW morning at 9 o'clock at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, there will be a memorial service for the late Governor of Hongkong, Sir John Pope Hennessy.

THE well known racing yacht *Arcti*, once the joy of the East Point Sugar Refinery and the pride of poor old Henry Dickie's heart, left here yesterday afternoon for Pakhoi.

Young housekeeper: "Well, suppose you are giving a dinner to 10 persons, and the waitress takes French leave. What do you do then?" Experienced housekeeper: "Conat the spoons."

A REGULAR meeting of the Eothen Mark Lodge of Hongkong, No. 264, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, this evening, at 8:30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

A WOULD-BE smart young man began his first letter to his sweetheart after this fashion:—"My Dear Julia—Whenever I am tempted to do wrong I think of you, and I say, 'Get thee behind me, Satan!'"

THE wreck of the steamer *Shang* was knocked down on Monday by public auction at Shanghai by Messrs. Whitlock & Co. to Mr. Wei Yung Shu, of Hongkong, for £18,385. The fore-part of the ship is still on the rocks, while the after-part is in deep water.

THE East Borneo Coal Company has great difficulties to overcome in Cote, arising from the prevalence of cholera and fever among the miners. The Chinese employees flee from the mines, and by last accounts, it was not practicable to deliver coal to customers.

We have to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs *Gazette*, containing the trade statistics for the three months ended the 30th September.

Buggins—"Can you lend me five dollars?" Muggins—"Can't do it." B—"Why not?" M—"I never lent you any money, so I don't know whether you would pay me or not." B—"Well, isn't it worth five dollars to find out what kind of a man I am?"

We regret to learn that the Hon. P. Ryrie has been rather seriously indisposed for the past few days. It is earnestly to be hoped that the Senior Unofficial Member will quickly shake off his illness, as his presence can very well be spared in the Legislative Council at the present important epoch of the colony's history.

DR. Newman Hall, the noted English Congregationalist divine, is seventy-five years old. The famous tract, "Come to Jesus," of which he is the author, had a greater sale than any other religious work, excepting the Bible. Several million copies of it have been printed, and it has been translated into more than thirty languages.

THE Tientsin correspondent of the Shanghai *Mercury* writes under date the 16th November that a "hatch" has taken place between Sheng Tsao and Mr. C. E. X. with reference to the succession of the latter to the post (Directorship) of the Merchants' Co. vacated by Mr. Ma Kie-chong, but as Sheng is coming to Tientsin the matter will probably be amicably settled. Mr. C. E. X. is here awaiting the Chefoo Tsao's arrival.

THE following example of Chinese-English was found in every package of a chop of tea recently purchased in Shanghai:—

Our firm has been situated in Moyne for more than twenty years. We sent tender leaf which has an exquisite water and handsome make.

Buyers will notice to our chop name, Nue Yee WING WAH FOONG.

THE Shanghai *Mercury* says that "owing to the non-arrival of the new German cruiser *Bustard* in China, the gunboat *Ida* will probably not be locked up in the ice-bound Peiho during the approaching winter months, but will most likely be kept available for patrol duty on the Yangtze, as long as season of influenza and penning and propagating filthy and hateful anti-foreign placards."

A FAMOUS coachman in the 18th century, familiarly known as "Chester Billy," one bitterly cold day had a passenger who was stamping his feet upon the footboard. In the hope of restoring the circulation of the blood, Billy felt them cold this morning and said to the passenger, "Billy, they're not; are they?" "No," says Billy, "they're not," adding, "I suppose you wash 'em?" "Wash them?" says the passenger, "of course I do; don't you?" "No," was the answer, "I should think not; I like 'em."

TO-DAY'S SHIPPING RETURNS.

Inward.
Always.....steamer, from Pakhoi.
Fushun..... " " Shanghai.
Toonan..... " " Canton.
Arday..... " " Canton.
Avachil..... " " Newchwang.
Tahyick..... " " Chefoo.
P. Chum Kiao..... " " Bangkok.
Mary Stuart bark..... " " Whampoa.
Aggregating 7,376 tons, register.

Outward.
Wooning.....steamer, for Chefoo.
Arratoon Ahar..... " " Calcutta.
Tah-cheng..... " " Swatow.
Vorward..... " " Ilolo.
Aggregating 3,941 tons, register.

THE Viceroy Chang Chih-tung in a memorial to the Throne, states that when he left Canton to take up his present post, he borrowed and brought with him 4,000 Lee rifles, 2,000,000 cartridges, 28 Krupp 7½-inch field guns and 9,000 cannon balls, 700,000 lbs. of food in the magazine at Wuchang, to be issued and used as required. The understanding was that the cost of the foregoing articles was to be repaid to Canton by the provincial treasury of Hupoh. As, however, there were no funds in hand for the purpose, the memorialist arranged with Viceroy Li Han-chang that the price of the rifles and the cost of their transport, amounting to Tls. 48,313.2.9, should be repaid in five instalments spread over a period of five years, and that the field guns, carriages and ammunition should be made good in kind as soon as the arsenal at Hupoh was opened and got into working order. Li Han-chang, in giving his assent to this arrangement, asked that it should be recorded in a memorial addressed to the Throne, which has accordingly been done.

THE Hongkong team in the Inter-port Rifle Match fired off yesterday afternoon, in fine weather, with a good light, but a troublesome wind. (Put it all down to the wind.) The scores were:—

	100	200	300	400	500	Total
Sergeant Watson, H.B.P.	32	30	31	32	31	156
Inspector Mun, H.B.P.	30	28	29	30	29	146
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	28	26	27	28	27	136
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	26	24	25	26	25	126
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	24	22	23	24	23	116
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	22	20	21	22	21	106
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	20	18	19	20	19	96
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	18	16	17	18	17	86
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	16	14	15	16	15	76
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	14	12	13	14	13	66
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	12	10	11	12	11	56
Chief Serjeant, H.B.P.	10	8	9	10	9	46
Average per man, 77.4						77.4
Average per team, 179.4						179.4

The highest score, that of Sergeant Watson, Hongkong Police, is distinctly first class, and will take a lot of beating. The other marksmen were all troubled by the wind.

A DECREE published in the *Peking Gazette* of Oct. 23rd refers to the death of Ma Yu-tung, the Mahometan leader who played such a prominent part in the Panthay rebellion; first, in command of his confederates against the Chinese troops, and later on, as a supporter of the Imperial cause in company with the late Viceroy T'ai Yu-ying. He is credited with having originated a plan for conquering the Chinese and Mahometan population of Yunnan, and with having exercised an influence for good over the great mass of his fellow-believers. When the Sultan, Tu Wen-hin, attacked Yunnan Fu, Ma Yu-tung twice came to the rescue of the city, slaughtering the rebel leaders and capturing many of their followers. First and last he was instrumental in killing over 10,000 of the enemy, and in his own person practically decided the fate of Yunnan. For these magnificent services he was promoted to be Commander-in-Chief of Yunnan, and was subsequently transferred in a similar capacity to Hunan, where, in 1878, he obtained permission to return to his native province and reside in private life. His death was caused by a wound which he received during the Mahometan rebellion. The highest honours accorded to commanders-in-chief are to be paid to his memory, including the erection of a temple in Yunnan Fu, and the compilation of a biographical record of his military exploits. His son, Ma Kuang-hui, who was degraded some time ago while serving as a Taoist in Szechuan, is to be restored to his former rank.

LAW student (to Professor)—"As a matter of law, sir, can a man marry the niece of his widow?" Professor (after some thought)—"I see no reason why he should not." "Would not the widow, then, have an action for bigamy?"

It is said that a glass of beer taken through a straw will intoxicate a man. The liquor taken in small quantities is spread over the coating of the stomach and the alcohol is at once vaporized, the fumes rising to the brain.

COLONEL STORER, late commanding officer of the Royal Engineers in this colony, left for England yesterday by the P. & O. Co.'s steamer *Parkhurst*, having completed his term of service. He left unharmed, unsung and unlamented.

Owner of Race-horse (to jockey): "You must get lighter to ride Spitfire." Jockey: "Don't see how I can, sir. I've trained down to the very last ounce." Owner: "You might have your head shaved, and cut your nails!"

THE *China Mail* winds up a very strongly pronounced anti-official leader with the following suggestive reference to our hard-worked Civil Servants:—"Some of them, like the late Captain Superintendent of Police, are about as long in England as they are in Hongkong. The whole system wants reorganisation from top to bottom." Bravo, "Bismarck!"

THE collision case between the *Lienching* and a mandarin steamer, which sank in the Shanghai river some time ago after running into the former vessel, has, the *N. C. Daily News* says, been settled. The Commissioner of Customs was the arbitrator and the assessors were Captain Bissac (Harbour Master) and Captain Wheeler, of the P. & O. Co.'s steamer *Parkhurst*. The mandarin steamer was declared entirely to blame.

At the Magistracy to-day three coffee-shop keepers, living in Cochrane Street, Stanley Street, and at the Royal Oak restaurant, were charged with selling intoxicating liquors without a licence. The first case was against a man discovered several bottles and a licence sale was given by a customer. Defendant denied the charge but was nevertheless fined \$50.

The other two cases, brought by Inspector Mann, the offence was admitted, one of the defendants pleading that though he had supplied whisky and soda he only charged for the soda. A fine of \$25 was imposed in each case.

TELEGRAPHIC information was received here yesterday to the effect that the German steamer *Fidelle*, Capt. Brorson, while discharging her cargo at Newchwang on the 25th instant had to close up her hatches and steam out to sea as quickly as possible, owing to the rapid accumulation of ice in the upper and lower reaches of the river. The *Fidelle* made for Chefoo and was discharging the balance of her Newchwang cargo there yesterday in accordance with the terms of the "ice clause" inserted in her charter party. From this it is clear that Newchwang is closed and that Tientsin will very soon be "iced-up" likewise.

VAST quantities of rice and beans from Wuhu and Newchwang have arrived at Canton during the past fortnight, and steamers of all sizes are daily arriving at the City of Rams with full cargoes of "food-stuffs." All the Government and rice merchants' godowns are full of grain, and large numbers of cargo-boats and junks are now anchored in the river at and above Canton, under charter to the local authorities who are discharging them as floating godowns. Why the Chinese authorities are accumulating such enormous quantities of grain, far in excess of the usual winter stocks, we cannot say for certain, but it seems within the bounds of reason to take it for granted that the Central Government is apprehensive of serious trouble in the near future and is therefore transporting the contents of the Yangtze granaries to the South, lest it should be destroyed by the disaffected inhabitants of the Central provinces. But if, as it is supposed, the whole nation is more or less about to break out in open rebellion, it may be found that the Peking Government is quite unwisely playing into the hands of some unknown Cromwell.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on Monday next, at 2 p.m., the business will be:—

Questions.—Will the Government inform the Council whether it has yet appointed a commission to enquire into the question of Canton Members, and if so, will it furnish a list of the Members nominated on such commission?

Will the Government lay on the table the commission issued to certain persons to enquire into the selection of a Site for the proposed New Gaol, and a copy of any report which the Committee may have made on the subject, and copies of the Reports and Proceedings of recent commissions on Gaol accommodation.

Resolution by Mr. Whitehead.—That Government lay upon the table at the first meeting of Council, or as soon thereafter as possible, in each quarter, a return showing particulars of progress of all Public Works during the previous quarter, in the form made use of by the Government in the seasonal paper relating to the New Central Market, Civil Hospital Staff Quarters, &c., laid on the Council table on 25th October last.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Third reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend The Building Ordinance, 1889."

Committee on the Appropriation Bill for 1892.

Committee on the Bill entitled "The Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance, 1891."

A CORRESPONDENT, writing to the *Batavia Nieuwsblad* of the 2nd Nov., about his travelling experiences in Netherlands West Borneo, describes a visit to Chinese gold-miners there at a place called Benkayang. The mines are worked by partnerships or kongkies which have full control over the gold secured. The members of a kongkie choose a *tu* among themselves, a mining headman, a clerk, and steward. They share the profit when there is any, and naturally have the preference as labourers, for when a day's work is done, the members do not work but the members do no work but, content with interest on the capital invested, they let others do the work for them. The correspondent found that the Chinaman there, when in poor circumstances, works hard but, once well off, he shoves off his some labour from himself, though he attends carefully to his own interests. Gold digging of this kind is said to pay so badly in Netherlands West Borneo that many of the Chinese miners have left the country. The Chinese element is said to gain in number there by the extension of European planting and mining enterprises in the Sultanate of Sambas, as the labour required must be chiefly drawn from that race of people. How matters stand now in that quarter may be judged of from the fact that the gold mining farm only yields the Government two hundred guilders a month, though the farmer has a right to demand one guilder a month from every miner.

PERMISSION has been granted by the Throne to Li Hung-chang to waive his winter visit to Peking this year. The "great Viceroy" remains in Tientsin at the request of the Foreign Councils.

MUTUAL SYMPATHY.—Lawyer: "I'm sorry for you, Mr. Short, but Shippo the tailor has put his account against you into my hands, for collection." Short: "And you're going to try to collect it?" Well, I'm sorry for you."

THE *N. C. Daily News* learns that the negotiations for an arrangement between the opposing Steamship Companies—namely, Matheson, & Co., Butterfield and Swire, and the China Merchants' Co.—have had no result. This is exactly what the *Hongkong Telegraph* predicted would happen.

IN COURT.—"What have you to say to Pompey's charge, Rastus, that you stole his chicken?" "Judge, I don't pay no attention to de insignificant ob enny, havid and malice. Jest because I got dat hen and at timup, dat die Pompey he gon' get jealous. Darfo, Judge, I ain't got nuffin ter say."

THE Hon. C. P. Chater and a member of friends have arranged to pay a visit to the mines at Hongkong, Tongkin and will leave here in the steamship *Avachil* early next week. The *Avachil*, we understand, has been specially chartered to bring a cargo of coal from Hongkong mines to this port.

We hear that under the superintendence of that well known master of the terpsichorean art, Mr. E. J. Meugens, the Hon. Secretary of the Mercantile Marine Officers' Ball Committee, the officers' "hop" on the 4th prox. is likely to prove one of the successes of the season, over 100 invitations having been sent out to Hongkong's leading circles.

A CAPITAL match at football, under Association Rules, was played at the Happy Valley yesterday afternoon between the Hongkong Football Club and a team representing "E" Company of Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders. The Club, although decidedly over-matched, played a plucky uphill game, eventually suffering defeat by four goals to one.

The homeward bound mail steamer *Parkhurst* managed to get around in Yau-mai Bay when leaving the harbour yesterday afternoon. The Dock Co.'s *Pilot Fish* was quickly on the spot, but the offer of her assistance was declined, and after about an hour's hard work the steamer got afloat and proceeded on her voyage. As she "struck mud" no damage was done.

At the Sanitary Board this afternoon there were present the Registrar General (President) and Messrs. Humphreys, Ho Kai, Cooper, Horspool, and Dr. Ayres. Some discussion arose on the appointment of members to form a Committee to investigate the Cooles Lodging House question. The President remarked, "I think it would be of great use to the Committee if I were not on it," which is a fact. Ultimately the following were appointed:—Dr. Ho Kai, Dr. Ayres, Mr. Humphreys, Mr. Francis, and the President. The Board then adjourned for a fortnight.

We heard from Canton the other day that the Chinese authorities there were in possession of information to the effect that Li, said to be the "head Prince" of the *Kelao-kwei*, was in hiding in Hongkong, and that strenuous efforts were being made to ascertain his exact whereabouts. This rumour, for it is merely a rumour, must be taken for what it is worth; still, it would be just as well, and perhaps might save considerable trouble later on, if the Cantonese officials were made to distinctly understand that political offenders have a perfectly safe haven of refuge in this British colony.

THE *London and China Express* says that the French Cabinet is delaying active measures in regard to the situation in Indo-China and Tongking pending the completion of the Colonial Budget measures to be submitted to the Chamber. It is already known that the vote in aid of Tongking amounts to 1,000,000, and that from Coochin China to 1,500,000. The Government proposes to reduce the vote from Coochin China, and to increase that of the Home Government. The Government, without actually adopting the figures of M. de Lanesan, are agreed as to the wisdom of this policy. It inclines to reduce by one million the subvention paid by Coochin China, and to increase by six millions that of the capital, so that altogether Tongking would receive twenty-three millions. [By telegrams published in recent Saigon papers we are further reduced to 1,500,000.—Ed. H.K.T.] This addition is intended to cover the cost of increasing the armament by twelve new gunboats (bringing the number of these armed vessels up to eighteen), and for the enlistment of 3,000 militia in the Annamite regiments. So that with the 7,500 European troops, and the 9,000 native troops in Tongking, there would be a total force of 19,500 men. With regard to the new gunboats, and the incorporation of the militia, M. de Lanesan has already proceeded to carry out these measures.

MORE CHEAP DRINKS.

A special meeting of the Licensing Justices was held this morning to consider two applications, held over from the general meeting of fortnight ago. One was from Khadoores Jacob Shellen, for a publican's licence to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as No. 1, Jubilee Street, within easy and convenient reach of the lowest, or, well, say, "recreation grounds" of the Jubilee Park. The other application was from Senko Joachim Gorce, for a similar licence at the house 334, Queen's Road. The latter, who is opposite the tavern known as "The Land We Live In," this gentleman is the late licensee-holder of the "Globe" tavern, and at the general meeting it was stated that he was retiring from business, and a transfer of the licence was sanctioned on that understanding. His application was now refused. The Hebrew gentleman was more successful. Some of the trade opponents evidently labour under the delusion that the *Telegraph* forbids this Colony, for they sent us the following:—
Sir,—We the undersigned, owners of property in Hongkong think that there are enough Hotels already, and we think that if it is allowed to open any more the Queen's Road will be impassable for respectable people. There are six Hotels in about a quarter of a mile already. We respectfully ask the Justices to refuse the application for a new licence. We are not the only persons who go against it, but many more respectable people.
We remain,
Your obedient servants,
(OVER SEVENTY SIGNATURES).
Hongkong, 26th November, 1891.

INSURRECTION AT KUEICHOW.

The following appears in the *Peking Gazette* of October 26th:—

At Hsichangling in the Liping Prefecture of Kueichow there is an extensive colony of "unruly" Minchie whose disposition is a

mixture of simplicity and daring. In former years they were rather an unruly people to manage, but they had gradually been brought under control and were pursuing their vocations in peace when, in the 6th moon of the present year a report was received that the Minchie at Chieh-chai were going to create a disturbance. The facts of the case would seem to be these:—

The grain stored in the public granary had been privately made use of by some of the Minchie until there was none left. The Sub-Prefect sent troops of his officers to make enquiry into the matter, and when they had done their work, certain others who gave themselves out to be official employees, attempted to levy blackmail. These proceedings raised a spirit of distrust amongst the Minchie and this was taken advantage of by some scoundrel who exhibited a foreign lantern in the "chai" in a large crowd of them by night. In the reflection of the lantern they saw men armed with swords and spears, and coming to the conclusion that these were supernatural beings specially sent to their aid, they passed the word round by means of the wooden token and incited the Minchie of the other "chai" to join them in a common insurrection. The Sub-Prefect sent one of his subordinates who was well acquainted with their disposition and customs to issue a proclamation and endeavour to calm them down. The Minchie however opposed his entrance into the "chai" by force and expressed a determination to adhere to their purpose of having a general rising. To guard against this, troops were at once sent for, and the Sub-Prefect removed from his post. An excellent District Magistrate was sent to take his place, with instructions to endeavour to prevent a general outbreak. He does not however appear to have been successful, as news has just been received that they intend to attack the prefectural city. More troops have been despatched to aid the authorities and it is hoped that the rebels may be speedily brought into subjection.

THE HUNAN PUBLICATIONS.

Dr. Griffith John writes to the *N. C. Daily News* under date the 7th November:—

In my letter of the 6th inst., I called attention to the shop in the city of Changsha in which the anti-foreign books and placards are printed and published. I also called attention to the fact that on the copy of "Death to the Devils' Religion" just received, it is stated that the cost of the book is 50,000 cash per 10,000 copies, and that eight men have printed at their own expense and given away in charity 500,000 copies, or 100,000 copies each. Your contemporary of the 11th inst. treats the names as fictitious, and the characters composing them as forming a consecutive sentence. In this your contemporary is substantially correct and I ought, perhaps, to have pointed this out at the time of writing. But my object was simply to call attention to the wide and free distribution of this infamous publication, and to point out that the book had been sent in boat-loads over Hunan, and that the distribution was gratuitous. I had, however, no written evidence of the fact till this copy came to hand. Copies of several editions have reached me, but that is the only one which bears on its cover any printed reference to the matter. Though the names are fictitious, I have every reason for believing that the statement is strictly true. It is not at all incredible that eight men should undertake the gratuitous distribution of 800,000 copies of this book. Of all the anti-foreign publications, this is today the most popular in Hunan. It takes the place of "Death Blow to Corrupt Doctrines" published more than twenty years ago. "Death Blow," however, was written for the scholars, whilst "Death to the Devils' Religion" is written for the people. Any one who can read at all can read this book, and we know that it has been read and is being read by millions of ordinary readers in Hunan and elsewhere.

There are tens of thousands in Hunan among the wealthy and influential, who would regard it as a most meritorious act to contribute

Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, 104 per cent. prem. sellers.
 The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £210 paid up, 75 per cent. dis. sales.
 The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$235 per share, sellers.
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—\$135 per share, sellers.
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$130 per share, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884—2 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886—2 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886—2 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$90 per share, buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$61 per share, sales and sellers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 255 per share, buyers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$106 per share, buyers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—\$100, buyers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$171 per share, buyers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$89 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$341 per share, sellers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—50 per share, sellers.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—271 per cent. discount, sellers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$38 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$82 per cent. premium, sales and buyers.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$60 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$501.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$7 per share, buyers.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—nominal.
 The Shamnoon Hotel Co., Limited—\$10, sellers.
 Punjion and Sunghie Dus Samshat Mining Co. \$21 per share, sellers.
 The Raul Gold Mining Co., Limited—70 cents per share, sellers.
 Imurus Mining Co., Limited—\$91 per share, sellers.
 The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, nominal.
 Tongqua Coal Mining Co.—\$335 per share, sellers.
 The Jebleu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$41 per share, buyers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—40 cents per share, sellers.
 London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$12, sellers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$178 per share, sellers.
 Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$25 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$191 per share, ex. div. sellers.
 Crickshank & Co., Limited—nominal.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sellers.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$75 per share, sellers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$22 per share, buyers.
 The Labuk Planting Co., Limited—\$9 per share, sellers.
 The China-Borneo Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
 H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$40 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$65 per share, sales and sellers.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$109 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$129 per share, nominal.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$32 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$75 per share.
 The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$10 per share, nominal.
 The Green Island Cement Co.—\$14 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sales and sellers.
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$21 per share, nominal.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$55 per share, sellers.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
 The Norddeutscher Lloyd Co.'s steamer *Prinzess*, with the German mail of the 27th inst., left Singapore on the 21st inst., and may be expected here to-morrow.
THE AMERICAN MAIL.
 The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Oceanic*, with mails, left San Francisco on the 19th inst., and is expected here to-morrow.
THE INDIAN MAIL.
 The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s steamer *Chelydra*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 19th inst., and is expected here to-morrow.
THE CANADIAN MAIL.
 The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Superior*, from Vancouver, for Japan, Shanghai, and Hongkong on the 26th inst.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Scottish Oriental Co.'s steamer *Phra Chom Kiao* left Bangkok on the 19th inst., and is due here to-morrow.
 The Navigations Generale Italiana steamer *Blagno*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 20th inst., and expected here to-morrow.
 The 'Glen' line steamer *Glenlyon* left Singapore on the 23rd inst., and is due here on the 30th.
 The 'Shire' line steamer *Monmouthshire* leaves Singapore on the 26th inst., and is due here on the 3rd proximo.
 The China Shippers' Mutual S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ningchow*, from London and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 9th inst.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.
IMPERIEUX, British steamer, 3,400, Edmund S. Poe, 26th Nov.—Amoy 24th November.
ALWIN, German steamer, 400, C. Petersen, 27th Nov.—Pakhol and Holbow 25th Nov., General—Wieder & Co.
FUSHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,504, A. Cross, 27th Nov.—Shanghai 24th Nov., General—C. M. S. N. Co.
TOOMAR, Chinese steamer, 938, J. Warwick, 27th Nov.—Canton 27th Nov., General—C. M. S. N. Co.
MARY STEWART, British bark, 484, G. C. Thompson, 27th Nov.—Whampoa 26th Nov., General—Order.
ARDGAY, British steamer, 1,080, C. Thom, 27th Nov.—Canton 27th November, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
AVOCHIE, British steamer, 1,056, T. Rowlin, 27th Nov.—Newchwang 18th Nov., and Swatow 20th, Beans—Melchers & Co.
TAI-VIC, German steamer, 903, N. H. Emke, 27th Nov.—Chefoo 21st Nov., Beans—Meyer & Co.
PHRA CHOM KIAO, British steamer, 1,011, J. Fowler, 27th Nov.—Bangkok 15th Nov., and Angkor 18th, General—Yuen Fat Hong.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Edendale, British steamer, for Kobe.

DEPARTURES.
 November 27, *Woorung*, British steamer for Chefoo.
 November 27, *Arratoon Apar*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.
 November 27, *Tai-chung*, German steamer, for Swatow, &c.
 November 27, *Vorwarts*, German steamer, for Hilo.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.
 Per *Tai-yick*, str., from Chefoo—3 Chinese.
 Per *Phra Chom Kiao*, str., from Bangkok, &c.—8 Chinese.
 Per *Alwin*, str., from Pakhol, &c.—45 Chl. deese.
 Per *Fushun*, str., from Shanghai—Capt. John Stewart, Rev. Graves, Rev. J. School, Rev. Chalmers, Rev. J. Genhart, Right Rev. Bishop Burdon, Miss Hannisch, Messrs. Ed. Bone, and J. A. Ormerod, and 191 Chinese.

REPORTS.
 The Chinese steamship *Fushun* reports that the left Shanghai on the 24th inst. Had strong north-east monsoon and fine weather throughout.
 The British steamship *Phra Chom Kiao* reports that she left Bangkok on the 15th inst., and Angkor on the 18th. Experienced moderate winds and fine weather to Cape Padaran; thence to Paracels strong wind with high north-easterly swell, thence to port moderate gale with high north-easterly sea.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.
 For Swatow and Bangkok—Per *Chow's* to-morrow, the 28th inst., at 9:30 A.M.
 For Kobe—Per *Edendale* to-morrow, the 28th inst., at 10:30 A.M.
 For Straits and Bombay—Per *Gunboat* to-morrow, the 28th inst., at 11:30 A.M.
 For Shanghai—Per *Bombay* to-morrow, the 28th inst., at 1:30 P.M.
 For Shanghai—Per *Tsuan* to-morrow, the 28th inst., at 3:30 P.M.
 For Saigon—Per *Ingraham* to-morrow, the 28th inst., at 4:30 P.M.
 For Swatow, Amoy, and Tamsui—Per *Halong* to-morrow, the 28th inst., at 5:00 P.M.
 For Hoihow and Pakhol—Per *Alwin* to-morrow, the 28th inst., at 5:00 P.M.
 For Hoihow, Singapore, Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya—Per *Dornon* on Monday, the 30th inst., at 4:30 P.M.
 For Europe, &c., Australia, India, &c. Madras, and Mauritius—Per *Natal* on Wednesday, the 2nd December, at 11:00 A.M.
 For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress of India* on Tuesday, the 3rd Dec., at 11:30 A.M.
 For Straits and Calcutta—Per *Lightning* on Tuesday, the 3rd Dec., at 11:30 A.M.
 For Yokohama, and San Francisco—Per *Oceanic* on Tuesday, the 3rd Dec., at 5:30 P.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.
BOMBAY, British steamer, 2,047, G. Baker, 26th Nov.—London 4th October, and Singapore 18th Nov., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
CHINA, German steamer, 1,140, P. Voss, 26th Nov.—Chefoo 19th Nov., General—Melchers & Co.
CROWA, British steamer, 1,077, F. W. Phillips, 21st Nov.—Bangkok 9th Nov., General—Yuen Fat Hong.
CLARA, German steamer, 675, H. Ipland, 21st Nov.—Halpoh 18th Nov., Rice—A. R. Marly.
EDENDALE, British steamer, 1,566, R. Humphrey, 19th October—Kutchinoh 9th October, Coal—Mifflin Baskin Kutchinoh.
EMPEROR OF INDIA, British steamer, 5,000, O. P. Marshall, R.N.R., 19th Nov.—Vancouver 25th Oct., Yokohama 10th Nov., and Shanghai 19th, General—Dodwell, Carill & Co.
FAME, British steamer, 117, Captain Melchers, Hongkong Government tender.
GENERAL WILDER, German steamer, 1,490, E. Blanke, 19th Nov.—Yokohama 18th Nov., Mails and General—Melchers & Co.
GWATSON, British steamer, 1,502, J. F. Jephson, 23rd Nov.—Yokohama 14th Nov., Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
HAIKONG, British steamer, 785, J. Beach, 25th Nov.—Tamsui 21st Nov., Amoy 23rd, and Swatow 24th, General—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
INGRAM, German steamer, 806, E. Piper, 25th Nov.—Singapore 16th November, Sugar—Wieder & Co.

HONGKONG—STEAMERS.

Continued.
LIGHTNING, British steamer, 2,124, G. B. Pallett, 26th Nov.—Calcutta 16th Oct., Penang 24th, and Singapore 27th, Opium and General—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
LOO SOX, British steamer, 1,020, A. Benson, 24th Nov.—Bangkok 14th November, Rice and General—Yuen Fat Hong.

NAMDA, British steamer, 865, Goddard, 10th Nov.—Fochow 5th Nov., Amoy 6th, and Swatow 9th, General—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

PAKSHAN, British steamer, 835, J. Jenkin, 19th Nov.—Newchwang 19th Nov., Beans and General—Hop Hing Hong.

PUCK, British steamer, 161, A. Stepan, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

TAI-YUAN, British steamer, 1,459, R. Nelson, 19th Nov.—Fochow, and Swatow 18th Nov., General—Butterfield & Swire.

TAILER, German steamer, 828, J. Calender, 22nd Nov.—Canton 22nd Nov., General—Meyer & Co.

TAMARIND, Norwegian steamer, 885, L. Castberg, 21st Nov.—Canton 21st Nov., General—Wieder & Co.

TATTOO, German steamer, 1,342, F. Hegler, 18th Nov.—Samang 9th Nov., Sugar—Geo. R. Stewart & Co.

TARANG WING, Acting Captain, chief officer, 2nd Nov.—New York 4th June, Order.

ARON, Norwegian bark, 524, A. Christensen, 22nd Nov.—Singapore 16th Oct., Timber—Kwang Mow Tai.

B. F. HUNT, American bark, 1,100, John Harard, 24th Nov.—New York 30th May, Kerosene Oil—Order.

COMET, German ship, 1,083, Kuppner, 21st Nov.—Cardiff 9th June, Coal—Order.

ENKORING, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination hulk, Stonewall Island—Chinese Customs.

GRONIKTA, American bark, 435, Karsica, 15th Nov.—Newchwang 5th November, Beans—Order.

IMACOS, Norwegian bark, 577, L. Olsen, 15th Nov.—Singapore 25th Sept., Timber—Kwang Mow Tai.

LOTNAIR, Italian sch., 791, A. Shlapap, 15th Oct.—Callao 13th August, Ballast—Goussalves & Co.

NAN-SHUN-SHING, Chinese s.m. schooner, 245, Loo Light 20th Sept., Teatze 8th Sept., Wood—Yong Kee.

NICOVA, British bark, 594, T. Norris, 21st Nov.—Bangkok 4th October, General—Hong Lee.

SACRIST, American ship, 1,312, J. C. Bartlett, 14th November—New York 17th June, Petroleum—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

TEKKERS, German bark, 390, W. Möller, 22nd Nov.—Canton 21st November, General—Wieder & Co.

WM. DE LACHUVE, British bark, W. Reynell, 20th Nov.—put back, Ballast—Order.

RIVER STEAMERS.

Faishan, British steamer, 2,260, Dick—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Hankow, British steamer, 2,435, Lloyd—Butterfield & Swire.

Heungshan, British steamer, 1,555, W. E. Clarke—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.

Ho-nan, British steamer, 1,377, G. B. Lafavour—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Kiang-ping, Chinese steamer, 360, Holmes—China Merchants S. N. Co.

Kiu-kiang, British steamer, 617—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Klung-chow, British steamer, 288, T. A. Webster—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Kiang-kwan, Chinese steamer, 1,020, Knight—C. M. S. N. Co.

Paidg, Chinese steamer, 284, J. W. Stavers—Tol Koo.

Powin, British steamer, 1,302, S. W. Goggin—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Tai-on, British steamer, 728, Goldsoul—China.

White Cloud, British steamer, 527, A. Crickshank—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

26th November, 1891.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Therm.	Bar.	Wind.	Cloud.	Humid.	Visib.	State.
Shanghai	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Hankow	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Amoy	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
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27th November, 1891.—At 10 a.m.

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HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Month Oct. 1890 to Oct. 1891.)

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Oct. 1890	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Nov. 1890	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Dec. 1890	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Jan. 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Feb. 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Mar. 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Apr. 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
May 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Jun. 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Jul. 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Aug. 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Sep. 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy
Oct. 1891	59.5	30.1	SE	100	85	10	Cloudy

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Chelydra	Calcutta	Nov. 27th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Blagno	Bombay	Nov. 27th	Carlaw & Co.
Preussien	London	Nov. 27th	Melchers & Co.
Glenlyon	San Francisco	Nov. 28th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Oceanic	Singapore	Dec. 1st	O. & O. S. S. Co.
Jason	Singapore	Dec. 2nd	Butterfield & Swire.
Djemah	Marseilles	Dec. 2nd	Messageries Maritimes.
Monmouthshire	Singapore	Dec. 3rd	Dodwell, Carill & Co.
Empress of Japan	Vancouver	Dec. 11th	Butterfield & Swire.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Natal	Messageries Maritimes.	Dec. 2nd, at noon.
Bremen and Ports of Call.	Preussen	Melchers & Co.	Dec. 10th, at 3 p.m.
Havre, London, &c.	Flintshire	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	December 1st.
New York, via Suez Canal.	Collingham	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	About Dec. 10th.
San Francisco, via Ythama	Oceanic	Q. & O. S. S. Co.	Dec. 8th, at 1 p.m.
San Francisco, via Ythama	City of Rio de Janeiro	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Dec. 10th, at 1 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via S. &c.	Empress of India	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	Dec. 8th, at noon.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Memmut	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Dec. 3rd, at 4 p.m.
Calcutta, via Straits	Lightning	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Dec. 8th, at noon.
Straits and Bombay	Blagno	Carlawitz & Co.	Dec. 5th, at noon.
Straits and Bombay	Gwalior	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki	General Walker	Melchers & Co.	About Nov. 28th.
Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Monmouthshire	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	About Dec. 5th.
Kobe (direct)	Edendale	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	To-morrow, daylight.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Halong	Douglas Laiprak & Co.	Nov. 29th, daylight.